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Orleans, La. May 18, steamship *Adria*, Rasmussen, master; crew, 15; Mobile, Ala.

The health and sanitary condition of La Ceiba and adjacent country continue good.

Respectfully,

R. H. PETERS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Reports from Puerto Cortez—Fruit port.

PUERTO CORTEZ, HONDURAS, May 7, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to report the happenings at this port for the week ended May 7. Health conditions continue good. Certificates for steamers' dispatches inclosed. May 8, steamship *S. Oteri*, De Luca; 7 passengers; crew, 35; cargo, tropical fruit; baggage disinfected, 9 pieces; destination, New Orleans. May 10, steamship *Bratten*, Holm; crew, 15; passengers, none; cargo, tropical fruit; destination, Mobile. May 11, steamship *España*, Danielson; crew, 14; passengers, 3; cargo, tropical fruit; destination, Mobile, direct; steamship *Foxhall*, Larsen; crew, 25; passengers, none; cargo, tropical fruit; destination, Mobile, direct. May 12, steamship *Dudley*, Andersen; crew, 18; passengers, none; cargo, tropical fruit; destination, Mobile via La Ceiba.

Respectfully,

SAMUEL HARRIS BACKUS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PUERTO CORTEZ, HONDURAS, May 21, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to hereby make my report for the week ended May 21. The health conditions of this port remain excellent. No deaths for the week. List of steamships dispatched from this port during above time is as follows:

May 15, steamship *Stillwater*, Galt, American; arrived May 14 from New Orleans; crew, 31; passengers, none; cargo, tropical fruit; all in good sanitary condition; destination, New Orleans via Port Limon. May 15, steamship *Anselm*, Brown, British; arrived May 14 from New Orleans; crew, 32; passengers, 8; cargo, tropical fruit; number of pieces baggage disinfected, 26; destination, New Orleans via Belize. May 16, steamship *Habil*, Gudmansen, Norwegian; arrived from New Orleans May 14; crew, 15; passengers, none; cargo, tropical fruit; destination, New Orleans, direct. Proper ship and passenger certificates inclosed.

Respectfully,

SAMUEL HARRIS BACKUS,
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ITALY.

Report from Naples—Smallpox and typhus.

NAPLES, ITALY, May 20, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended May 19, 1901, the following ships were inspected:

On May 15, the steamship *Archimede*, of the Italian General Naviga-

tion Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 872 steerage passengers and 150 pieces of large and 950 pieces of small baggage. Four hundred and twenty-six pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. On May 15, the steamship *Britannia*, of the Anchor Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 654 steerage passengers and 58 pieces of large and 800 pieces of small baggage. Three hundred and sixty pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. On May 16, the steamship *Aller*, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 766 steerage passengers and 152 pieces of large and 1,048 pieces of small baggage. Two hundred and eighty-seven pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

Smallpox.

There were officially reported in Naples for the week ended May 10, 1901, 114 cases of smallpox, with 25 deaths.

Typhus.

A number of mild cases of typhus fever have been reported at Naples lately. Ten cases are officially recorded for the week ended May 12, 1901, and 9 cases for the week ended May 19, 1901, with no deaths. In February there was a small epidemic of this disease at Succivo and Cesa. In March, a person from Caivano, which is a rural district near Succivo and Cesa, was taken ill with typhus in the Mercato section of Naples. The typhus that has recently occurred in Naples is traceable to this case. The disease has been confined to two narrow streets, known as the Vico Acetillo and the Vico Campagnari. There are no centers of infection in other parts of the city. No case has presented itself up to date in any lodging house or emigrant tenement.

Cases of typhus are also reported to-day at St. Angelo dei Lombardi and the immediately surrounding country. Any emigrants from that neighborhood who may present themselves for embarkment will be carefully examined as to their condition and recent whereabouts, and if there is a suspicion of exposure they will not be allowed to embark for at least fourteen days after such exposure, and the disinfection of their baggage, as required by Article V, paragraph 4, quarantine regulations to be observed at foreign ports and at sea.

Respectfully,

J. M. EAGER,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

MEXICO.

Report from Progreso—Sanitary condition good.

PROGRESO, MEXICO, May 12, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended May 11, 1901:

Of the 4 deaths that occurred at this port, 1 was from malarial fever, 1 from pneumonia, 1 from enteritis, and 1 from influenza.

The town is free from all infectious and contagious diseases at present, and is liable to remain so unless there is an influx of nonimmune material.

The smallpox in and about Merida grows gradually less every day,